

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus usable with a well to connect a first tubing section and a second tubing section together, the apparatus comprising:

~~a connector to connect a first tubing section and a second tubing section together, the connector comprising~~

a body comprising:

a first surface;

a first opening concentric with an axis to receive the first tubing section;

a second opening concentric with the axis to receive the second tubing section;

and

a passageway eccentric with respect to the axis to communicate fluid after the first and second tubing sections are connected together by the body; and

a member sleeve adapted to be moved from a retracted position to an extended position, the sleeve comprising a second surface; and

a sealing element to form a sealing contact with the first surface of the body and with the second surface of the sleeve when the sleeve is in the extended position to form a sealed connection between a tubular member that is connected to the first tubing section and the passageway.

2. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising:

~~wherein the first tubing section comprises a first production tubing section that is formed at least in part by the first tubing section and the second tubing section comprises a second production tubing section that is formed at least in part by the second tubing section.~~

3. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising:

~~wherein the first tubing section comprises a first injection tubing section that is formed at least in part by the first tubing section and the second tubing section comprises a second injection tubing section that is formed at least in part by the second tubing section.~~

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim [[4]] 1, wherein the sleeve is adapted to slide between the retracted position and the extended position.

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a wherein the tubular member comprises comprising another passageway adapted to align with the passageway of the body of the connector such that a gap exists between the passageway of the body and said another passageway when both the first and second tubing sections are fully received in the first and second openings and the sleeve is in the retracted position, wherein and

~~the member sleeve is adapted to be moved to the extended position to bridge [[a]] the gap created with the first and second tubing sections are received the first and second openings to form a fluid seal between the passageway of the body and said another passageway.~~

8.-10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 7 1, wherein the body of the connector is formed from a single piece of material.

12. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the first opening comprises a tapered opening to receive the first tubing section.

13.-15. (Cancelled)

16. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 14 1, wherein the sealing element is substantially parallel to the axis sealing element is located on an exterior surface of an annular face of the tubular member.

17. (Cancelled)

18. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the sleeve comprises:
a cylindrical portion that has an axis that is substantially parallel to the axis that is
concentric with the first opening; and

an annular face that radially extends inwardly from the cylindrical section and into the
~~gap member comprises a sleeve adapted to closely circumscribe the tubular member and move~~
~~between the retracted position and the extended position.~~

19.-21. (Cancelled)

22. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the member is eccentric with respect to the axis.

23.-96. (Cancelled)

97. (Currently Amended) An connector assembly usable with a well, comprising:
a first body comprising:

 a first opening concentric with an axis to receive a first tubing section,
 a second opening concentric with the axis to receive a second tubing section, and
 a passageway eccentric with respect to the axis to communicate fluid after the
first and second tubing sections are connected together by the first body; and

 a second body connected to the second tubing section and comprising another
passageway coaxial with the passageway of the first body, the second body comprising a first
surface; and

 a sleeve mounted on the second body adapted to be moved from a retracted position to an
extended position, the sleeve comprising a second surface; and

a sealing element to form a sealing contact with the first surface of the body and with the
second surface of the sleeve when the sleeve is in the extended position to form a sealed
connection between the passageways of the first and second bodies.

98. (Currently Amended) The connector assembly of claim 97, wherein
a gap exists between the passageway of the body and said another passageway when both
the first and second tubing sections are fully received in the first and second openings and the
sleeve is in the retracted position, and

the sleeve is adapted to move to the extended position to bridge [[a]] the gap created
between the first and second bodies after the first and second tubing sections are received by the
first and second openings of the first body.

99. (Previously Presented) The connector assembly of claim 97, wherein each of the first and second bodies are formed from a single piece of material.

100. (Previously Presented) The connector assembly of claim 97, wherein at least one of the first and second openings comprises a tapered opening.

101. (Currently Amended) A method usable with a well, comprising:
providing a body to connect a first tubing section and a second tubing section together;
providing a first opening in the body to receive the first tubing section, the first opening being concentric with an axis;
providing a second opening in the body to receive the second tubing section, the second opening being concentric with the axis;
providing a passageway in the body which is eccentric with respect to the axis to communicate fluid after the first and second tubing sections are connected together by the body; and
providing a member sleeve adapted to be moved from a retracted position to an extended position; and
forming a sealed connection between a surface of the sleeve and a surface of the body
when the sleeve is in the extended position to form a sealed connection between the passageway
and another passageway of a body when the first and second tubing sections are connected
together by the body.

102. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 101, further comprising:
~~wherein the first tubing section comprises a first providing~~ a production tubing section
that forms at least part of the first tubing section;

providing a second production tubing section that forms at least part of and the second
tubing section; ~~and comprises a second production tubing section.~~

communicating produced well fluid through the first and second production tubing
sections.

103. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 101, further comprising:
~~wherein the first tubing section comprises~~ providing a first injection tubing section that
forms at least part of the first tubing section;

and providing a second injection tubing section that forms at least part of the second
tubing section; ~~and comprises a second injection tubing section.~~

Communicating fluid injected into the well through the first and second injection tubing
sections.

104. (Cancelled)

105. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 101, wherein further comprising:
a gap exists between the passageway of the body and another passageway when both the
first and second tubing sections are fully received in the first and second openings and the sleeve
is in the retracted position, the method further comprising:

bridging the gap, including moving the sleeve to the extended position.

~~using the member to bridge a gap created between the first and second tubing sections~~
~~after the first and second tubing sections are received by the first and second openings to form a~~
~~fluid seal between the passageway of the body and another passageway.~~